



Cabinet of Academic Senator Meeting Minutes

Day/Date: Monday, December 7, 2020
 Time: 4:45 p.m.
 Location: Zoom
 Attendees: Cabinet of Academic Senators, Diana Chavez - ASI President, General Public
 Type of Meeting: General

I. Organizational Items:

a. Called to order by: Jocelyn Vargas, Vice President for Academic Governance @4:47p.m.

b. Roll Call

Jocelyn Vargas	Vice President for Academic Governance	Present
Jeovana Lopez	Undergraduate Academic Senator	Present
Kinsley Wang	Undergraduate Academic Senator	Present
Kyle Taing	Undergraduate Academic Senator	Present
Cristian Flores	Graduate Academic Senator	Present
Anaid Villa	Graduate Academic Senator	Present
Anson Noland	Academic Senator At-Large	Present

c. Concerns from the Floor

i. Cristian Flores

Cristian Flores brought up concerns related to taking minutes to ensure that the process was easier when it came to ensuring that participants were speaking in a concise manner for the sake of recording minutes.

d. Motion to Approve Agenda

Offered By:	Kyle Taing	Seconded by:	Anaid Villa
Motion to approve agenda for Monday December 7 th , 2020.			
Consensus to approve agenda for Monday December 7 th , 2020 - Consensus Reached			
All in Favor	All	Opposed	Motion: Passed

e. Motion to sweep approve minutes from October 19, November 2, and November 16, 2020:

Offered By:	Anaid Villa	Seconded by:	Kyle Taing
Motion to sweep approve minutes from October 19, November 2, and November 16, 2020.			
Consensus to sweep approve minutes – Consensus Reached			
All in Favor	All	Opposed	Motion: Passed

II. Public Forum

- a. This time is allotted to members of the public to address the board regarding items not included on the meeting agenda. Speaker cards are available for those wanting to speak on agenda items as listed below. Those comments will be heard as the item is introduced.

III. Reports: (3 Minutes each)

a. Vice President for Academic Governance:

Jocelyn Vargas: Jocelyn gave updates regarding the timely submissions of program proposals for the Spring 2021 semester and the Academic Senator town halls and the logistics of those town halls. She also gave updates regarding the CAPS resolution and the voting for approval at the Board of Directors meeting and that she expected to be working on more resolutions.

b. Academic Senators:

- i. **Kyle Taing:** Kyle stated the new goals that Faculty Policy Committee had in mind, including memos set to be made, including an emergency proposal to be made in the Academic Senate. Kyle also addressed concerns regarding students who have to take various final exams in one day. There are also concerns in Faculty Policy Committee about 4990 Research supervision courses and delays in re-opening those courses.
- ii. **Kinsley Wang:** Kinsley discussed a joint effort with the College of B&E Representatives to create a survey. She also reiterated some of the concerns about research courses and the lack of opportunities students are having to conduct research due to their closures.
- iii. **Jeovana Lopez:** Jeovana stated that she is collaborating with the College of NSS representatives regarding a survey and a joint effort with the NSS Student Affairs Committee and CETL. She also discussed the Educational Continuity Policy as well as remote lab kits for students and other concerns regarding technological capabilities. She stated that AIRS had reached out to Amy Bippus regarding these kits and that many students were not aware that they existed.
- iv. **Anson Noland:** Anson stated that he distributed a tutoring survey and was looking at the results of that survey. He stated that in Student Policy Committee, the Director for the Center of Academic Success gave updates on how CAS has been adjusting in order to be more equitable for students during the pandemic.
- v. **Anaid Villa:** Anaid stated that she met with one of the faculty senators to help mobilize with other faculty members to help pass more resolutions. She also stated that Fiscal Policy Committee will be meeting with the Provost to discuss the budget. She also stated that she went to a graduate student event and was the only student to show up and so she discussed with Dr. Brown how to create more partnership opportunities with the Graduate Resource Center.
- vi. **Cristian Flores:** Cristian went into detail about the Educational Continuity Policy and the importance of that policy. He also brought up student concerns with advising that he has heard. He also stated concerns during State of Our Campus while listening to the transcription of it.

c. Housekeeping

- i. The ASI President Diana Chavez discussed issues addressed to her by students-at-large regarding advocacy from Academic Senators during the Academic Senate.

IV. Discussion Items

a. Campus Policy Agenda

- i. **Jocelyn Vargas:** Jocelyn asked the Academic Senators what concerns they had regarding campus issues that they would like to see addressed through resolutions.
- ii. **Anaid Villa:** Anaid stated that forcing students to have cameras on is of concern to her.
- iii. **Jocelyn Vargas:** Jocelyn Vargas asked Cristian to reiterate and clarify what he knew.
- iv. **Cristian Flores:** Cristian addressed a current policy and faculty concern about that due to limitations.
- v. **Anson Noland:** Anson gave concerns about students and complaints due to asynchronous meetings and synchronous meetings due to low bandwidth.
- vi. **Cristian Flores:** Cristian mentioned that the current policy that has already been finalized also addresses that.
- vii. **Anson Noland:** Anson asked Cristian if there have been complaints from students who have never met via zoom and only been watching video lectures.
- viii. **Cristian Flores:** Cristian said he hasn't but that it is an academic freedom issue and that is faculty policy focused.
- ix. **Anaid Villa:** Anaid gave concerns related to synchronous versus asynchronous classes.
- x. **Jocelyn Vargas:** Yeah, what? lecture at a certain time?

- xi. **Anaid Villa:** Anaid asked about synchronous lectures not meeting synchronously.
- xii. **Anson Noland:** Anson followed up with a question also.
- xiii. **Jocelyn Vargas:** Jocelyn followed up with another concern.
- xiv. **Cristian Flores:** Cristian redirected the question to Jeovana.
- xv. **Jeovana Lopez:** Jeovana stated that these issues haven't been addressed fully.
- xvi. **Kinsley Wang:** Kinsley discussed issues that she has heard related to the matter.
- xvii. **Jocelyn Vargas:** Jocelyn discussed holding professors accountable for their lack of reliability.
- xviii. **Cristian Flores:** Cristian discussed that this is a faculty policy issue.
- xix. **Jocelyn Vargas:** Jocelyn stated that she would follow up with this.
- xx. **Dena Florez:** Dena asked Cristian a question regarding being graded on attendance and participation during synchronous lectures.
Cristian Flores: Cristian addressed the issue.
- xxi. **Dena Florez:** Dena asked a question for point of clarification.
- xxii. **Cristian Flores:** Cristian gave an example.
- xxiii. **Dena Florez:** Dena asked for clarification on being graded on participation and attendance.
- xxiv. **Cristian Flores:** Cristian gave insight regarding attendance and participation.
- xxv. **Jocelyn Vargas:** Jocelyn gave opinion on the issue.
- xxvi. **Jeovana Lopez:** Jeovana gave input related to a conversation held in AIRS.
- xxvii. **Jocelyn Vargas:** Jocelyn gave concerns regarding students who may live out of state with different laws in place for privacy.
- xxix. **Cristian Flores:** Cristian gave information regarding privacy of minors and being recorded via zoom.
- xxx. **Kyle Taing:** Kyle discussed the issue about being graded on participation further.
- xxxi. **Jocelyn Vargas:**

b. Resolutions:

- i. **Jocelyn Vargas:** Jocelyn went over the expectations and logistics of creating a resolution for anyone interested in writing a resolution.

c. Senator Town Halls

- i. **Jocelyn Vargas:** Jocelyn stated that she would organize meetings for the undergraduate senators and graduate senators to go over the logistics of the Senator Town halls.

F. Adjournment:

Offered By:	Jocelyn Vargas, VPAG	Seconded by:	N/A			
Meeting ended at 6:00pm No motion to extend						
All in Favor	N/A	Opposed	N/A	Abstained	N/A	Motion: Passed

CERTIFICATION

Official Minutes taken for the ASI Board of Directors Meeting of the Associated Students, Inc., Cal State Los Angeles held on October 19, 2020, on Zoom and were approved by consensus by the A.S.I. Board of Director Committee on Thursday, December 7th, 2020.

Prepared by:

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